

CLEAN VERSION OF AMENDED
SPECIFICATION PARAGRAPHS

The device of the present invention comprises a spacer/support that engages the support surface on which the concrete wall is poured and a weldment plate holding it in the desired position relative to that surface during the curing of the concrete. The spacer/support comprises an elongate body portion having a length substantially equal to the thickness of the concrete wall minus a dimension of the weldment extending in the direction of the thickness of the concrete wall; a surface engaging portion for contacting the surface on which the concrete wall is poured and supporting the weldment in a position appropriately spaced from that surface; means for attaching said body portion to the weldment; whereby the weldment will be maintained in a desired position as wet concrete is poured and sets up.

Surface engaging portion 24 preferably comes to a point 25 so as to minimize the amount of weldment spacer/support that protrudes on surface 21. Accordingly, minimal accommodation will be necessary to treat the points 25 on wall 18. In fact, it is anticipated that the painting, papering or other treatment provided wall surface 21 will adequately cover the points 25. It is preferred that the length of body portion 22 will be adjustable. One such means can be the cutting of body portion 22 to the desired length to place weldment plate 12 flush with the designed wall surface 19 once concrete 17 is poured. To facilitate this cutting (or breaking), body 22 may be provided with scoring lines 40 at one or more conventional wall thicknesses/stud lengths so the point 25 may be maintained.

A second embodiment of weldment plate spacer/support is shown in Fig. 4 generally at 20'. In this embodiment, body portion 22' is formed by a first component 32' and a second component 34' that can be longitudinally moved with respect to each other to vary the length, as desired. This variation in length is effected by rotating one of the components 32', 34' with respect to the other. The complementarily engaged threads 33' and 35' will produce the desired variation in length. The head 31' of first component 32' is designed for attachment to a weldment plate 12 that has no projections. An adhesive 37', such as LIQUID NAILS may be used to secure the spacer/support 20' to the surface 13 of weldment plate 12. A minimum of three spacer/supports 20' dispersed in a triangular pattern will be needed to assure stable placement of the weldment plate 12.